HOUSE BILL 3033

By Carr

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to magistrates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-107(e), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(e) Any party may, within five (5) days thereafter, excluding nonjudicial days, file a request with the court for a hearing by the judge of the juvenile court. The judge may, on the judge's own motion or upon receiving a request from any party, order a rehearing of any matter heard before a magistrate. If the judge allows a rehearing, then the review of the matter shall be de novo based solely upon the record of the hearing before the magistrate. Unless the judge orders otherwise, the recommendation of the magistrate shall be the decree of the court pending a rehearing.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.